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So high as a tree aspires to grow, so high will it find an atmosphere suited to it.—Thoreau.

## HONOLULU AND THE FLEET.

Heretofore the people of Honolulu have waited respectfully and with exceptional deference on the orders of the Navy Department for the coming or going of any particular fleet of warships at this port.

If Honolulu has shown any signs of being interested in "getting the fleet," someone has immediately arisen and announced that it is bad taste for our people to be so mercenary; "because they only want the fleet to make money out of the men." Whereupon those who have dared to believe that a special effort to press Honolulu's invitation would be beneficial for all concerned, have crawled into their holes and apologized for existing.

Since the experience of the last few weeks, we believe that the people of Honolulu will be excessively silly if they do not take steps to obtain a definite assurance that the Pacific fleet will come to this port this Fall, and make the assurance doubly sure by having the date of departure from the Coast set beyond reasonable doubt.

Honolulu can present the soundest possible arguments for the coming of these warships.

It is good national business and a naval educational necessity for the Pacific fleet to cruise in these waters.

That should be sufficient.

But since our fellow citizens on the Coast have set the pace on the mercantile and civic uses of the nation's naval equipment, Honolulu has stronger claims on this score than any port on the Pacific Coast. It is Honolulu's turn, and so far as we are informed it has never been the rule among the successfully governed nations of the world, to create a great naval base and keep the officers and men of the war fleets as far away from it as possible.

Since local enterprise and solicitation enters into the matter, we believe it is now timely that the civic bodies of Honolulu take an active interest in the orders for the fleet.

Having refused what she asked for, Canada knows what she can do.

There is not the slightest doubt that the record of Supervisors thus far has made the recall popular.

The situation is getting serious. Another rise in the price of sugar and the quotations on sugar stocks are likely to entirely fade away.

The man who talks of improving the government by changing the form is a quitter. He is too lazy to take a personal interest in politics at the right time. Don't be a quitter.

Among other arguments Honolulu could advance for assuring the presence of the fleet during the holidays is that the men are entitled to be located where they can enjoy a merry Christmas.

Delay in the coming of the Pacific fleet will give our business men plenty of time to make a tour of Honolulu with the health officers and thus become fully acquainted with what is needed to make this a fairly safe and sanitary city.

If the record in the President's office shows that Governor Frear has tendered his resignation once during his term of office, and the President responded that the Governor could do as he liked but such a step would be very foolish, there may be some truth in the statement from Washington that the President will look into the local situation very thoroughly before making up his mind on the appointments that will be made during the next session of Congress.

These people who want to do away with municipal government have as a substitute and sample of how things should be done, the remarkable speed with which the Territorial Public Works Department is improving the Judiciary building, making expensive mistakes on the Kula pipe line and continually talking, talking, talking—a maximum of words with the minimum of results.

## CANADIAN RECIPROCITY.

Canada's refusal to accept reciprocity with the United States will not seriously injure the feelings of anyone on this side of the line.

The principal regret will be that our people wasted so much time and money over something that was supposed to be near and dear to the hearts of all Canadians, only to come to a realization that they didn't want it anyway.

Americans have every reason to be surprised. For many years the Canadians have been talking reciprocity, and curiously enough reciprocity was the old-time cry of the party that now rides into power by opposing it. For an equal number of years a few Americans have been struggling to secure a favorable answer to the Canadian government's request. Finally President Taft banked the fate of his whole administration on the question and secured what was supposed to be the response desired by Canadians.

## EVENING SMILES

Post—Yes, I write poetry and you raise hay; we are both producers.  
Farmer—And I reckon we both got about \$15 a ton.  
"Can I see you sport for a moment?"  
"You mean alone, don't you?"  
"Exactly. I want a loan of a steer."  
"Don't you hear you have joined the Boy Scout movement?"  
"Yes, dad."  
"Well, suppose you scout ahead and see if your mother is sitting up for me."  
"How did you get that medal you're wearing?"  
"For jumping over Niagara Falls."  
"Huh! That's nothing. See the one I'm wearing?"  
"How did you get it?"  
"For jumping back."

The refusal now comes in such a manner that it may be accepted by many as a rebuff.

If, as seems possible, the political manipulation of the campaign was such that the people of Canada thought they were voting for or against annexation, we cannot fail to congratulate them on the result. The American people are entirely in sympathy with them on that point. And the men across the border will wake up to find that they have swatted a phantom.

The effect in the United States will be nil, so far as it influences any national policies or decides the fate of any of our public men.

Having finally brought the whole reciprocity question to a show down, it will remain settled for the next fifty years. It is finished for more than a generation. A few people will make fun of Mr. Taft for having gone to so much trouble and got such cold comfort from those he thought were willing.

The incident is closed and will be quickly forgotten unless the enemies of the arbitration treaties can make fools of the American people, by leading them to believe that arbitration should be defeated in retaliation.

## PAVING FIGHT IS IN PROSPECT SOON

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is on record at the city hall with the lowest bid, followed by John H. Wilson, who guarantees to lay a California standard bitulithic pavement at a figure but little in excess of the Lord-Young estimate. The Honolulu Bitulithic Pavement Company, represented by Joe Gilman, which concern laid the one block on Fort street during the latter part of the reign of the old board, comes forward with the third and last bid at \$1.85 a square yard on a concrete base at \$8 a cubic yard, and agrees to complete the job in fourteen days.

Rivals Offer No Guarantee. One member of the road committee stated this morning that the local bitulithic people were the only concern to guarantee the "life" of their pavement for Queen street. It is claimed that the bitulithic company will back up the pavement for a term of five years. Wilson and his supporters in the paving business declare that they have a pavement that has proved a pronounced success on the Coast, where it is extensively used. The Wilson figures called for asphalt pavement at a cost of \$1.83 a square yard on a concrete base at \$16.50 a cubic yard, and to be completed in sixty days.

Another supervisor, not a member of the road committee, said today that he had heard that the Lord-Young company's bid is to be thrown out as not coming up to specifications.

At any rate, prospects seem good for some lively doings in the paving line here. King street will probably be next for paving, with the supervisors already on record, if what they say is adhered to, in favor of bitulithic.

## LARGER SEWER IS DEMANDED

Although a determination was arrived at yesterday afternoon when the members of the board of health conferred with representatives of the Mills Institute in connection with the overflowing cesspools of the institution and Superintendent of Public Works Marston Campbell decided to put in a sewer to cover the difficulty, it seems now as though there might be some hitch over the matter.

The plans as proposed yesterday were for an eight inch sewer joining the present ten inch at Bingham street. The health authorities are very much in doubt, however, as to whether this will be large enough to cope with the stream of sewerage.

President Pratt of the board of health stated this morning that it would be all that an eight inch pipe could do to carry off the sewerage from the institute alone and that it could not possibly cope with the extra that might flow into it.

There is a similar state of things existing all over the city and the plans of the public works department is to put in a small sewer until such time as that is inadequate and then to replace it with a larger one. In the present case, however, it seems as though the board of health will see that a large enough one is put in right away.

A coal shipment of 8,000,000 bushels—the largest in the history of Puget Sound—is under way for Mississippi river cities.

Secretary of the Navy Winthrop received a wireless from Admiral Togo thanking him for the escort when he left Seattle.

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## GOING SLOWLY BUT SURELY

Matters are proceeding slowly but surely in connection with the filling in scheme for the Kewalo and other districts in the neighborhood. Surveyor Wall has completed his part of the job and the matter is now up to Secretary Mott-Smith.

The secretary had a great deal to do in connection with the scheme when it was first mooted and it is

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now understood that he, President Pratt of the board of health and Superintendent of Public Works Marston Campbell are to work in concert on the scheme.

The map that Mr. Wall has returned is a large one showing all the various elevations and from which it will be possible to find out just exactly what amount of fill is required on any part of the ground. This is not all that has to be done, however. Tentative plans have been made for a new street to run through between Ward and Coral and also for a big storm ditch to run parallel with it.

Then there is the matter of the height to which the fill is to be made to come up for consideration. Some people seem to be of the opinion that it will be enough just to fill up the holes whilst others would like to see the whole of the district raised.

At these matters have to be gone into and the three men handling it will have to sit at many conferences before they come to any final determination on the question.

M. Lono Heen has applied for permission to practice in the courts of Hawaii. He was born on Hawaii and is a graduate of Oahu college. He was for two years at the Hastings College of Law on the mainland and for one year in the office of Manson and Samuels in San Francisco. He is at present with Lorrin Andrews.

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## SILENCE WAS TOO EXHAUSTING

Husband Does Not Speak For Year and Wife Is Granted Her Divorce.

From November 1909 until December 1910 there was a deep silence prevalent in the Fern home. Likewise John K. acquired a habit of writing his own death notices and assessing the amount necessary to keep his wife and four children at thirty-five cents a day. As a consequence Judge W. J. Robinson issued an order this morning that bonds of matrimony existing between John K. and Abbie Fern be hereby and forever dissolved. Away back in November 1909, John K. refused to speak to his wife and kept up this extraordinary state of affairs until December 1910, breaking the long silence on only one occasion when he informed her that he would contribute to herself and the four children only thirty-five cents a day.

At the time when he ceased to talk to her he assumed the role of a beauty hero in heavy melodrama for instead of answering her plea to hear once more the music of his voice he drew his revolver and informed himself that he would kill John K. Later he sent her a copy of his last will and testament. Later he wrote her many other letters which worried and made her fearful.

On May 15, 1910, he broke the long silence and informed her that he would allow her the sum of five cents a day for the support of herself and the four children. Once again about December 15 he offered her \$30 a month if she would go back to mother. As a matter of fact after she had gone back he only contributed twenty-five plunks and after a time failed even with that.

During the whole four years of their married life his wife alleges that he was away from home every evening and took other young women to the theatre, spent his money on them and otherwise had a good time. The great silence was started on one occasion when she told him that she knew all about the girl he had with him the evening before. It was then that he told her he would from that time on never speak to her again.

Now John K. is at liberty to speak without breaking his resolution for his wife is his no more. He will have less money to spend on theatres, however, for Judge Robinson has ordered that twenty-five at the best must go every month to his late wife and children.

Captain Macanley continued his evidence in the Celtic Chief case this morning when the case again came up for hearing before the United States District Court. It was much along the lines of that given by previous witnesses and all has to do with the details of the salvage of the vessel.



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## IMMIGRANTS IN BUFFALO PLENTY

So Says Brother of Iron Works Employee—Italian Likes Hawaii Life.

Giacomo Battaglia who is now employed at the Honolulu Iron Works has received a letter from his brother located in Buffalo, who says that plenty of people there are out of work and would be glad to emigrate to Hawaii.

Mr. Battaglia is an Italian who came to the islands some ten years ago with one of the European immigration parties. He worked at Paauhau for several years and finally came to Honolulu. He is entirely satisfied with life here and has written his brother from time to time. This brother now says that the authorities of the Territory could get people in the States if they would send for them.

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